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(80-116 C.E) R. GAMALIEL II

He used to receive the reports of the witnesses (of the new moon), and showed them representations of the moon to test their accuracy. On one occasion he fixed the FIRST of TISHRI after the testimony of two suspected witnesses. The accuracy of the decision was disputed by Rabbi Joshua who was thereupon commanded by the

Patriarch to appear before him prepared  
for travel on the day which was  
according to Joshua's Calculation the  
Day of Atonement, an order with which  
he most reluctantly complied